SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 385 By Crowe

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize the activation of the 300th

Quartermaster Battalion, United States Army
Reserves on December 6, 1997.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those distinguished members of the U.S. Armed Forces who sacrifice personal safety and concerns to protect and preserve the democratic freedoms we enjoy today and our progeny will hopefully continue to cherish for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, the 300th Quartermaster Battalion, which is headquartered in Johnson City, Tennessee, was activated on December 6, 1997 at 1100 hours; and

WHEREAS, Major General James W. Darden, Commander of the 81st Regional Support Command, passed the colors of the 300th Quartermaster Battalion, through Robert Blagojevich, Deputy Commander of the 1st Brigade, to Larry V. Wise, Commander of the 300th Quartermaster Battalion, signifying the activation of the 300th to the United States Army Reserve, constituted on the 1st day of September, 1997; and

WHEREAS, at present the 300th Quartermaster Battalion is comprised of the 212th

Transportation Company from Chattanooga, the 591st Transportation Detachment from

Chattanooga, the 418th Quartermaster Detachment from Oak Ridge, and the 639th

Transportation Company from Kingsport; approximate strength of the battalion is 420 soldiers; and

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WHEREAS, the mission of the 300th Quartermaster Battalion is to provide logistical support at the corps level; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the two transportation companies using Army trucks, the 639th specializes in containerized platform loading systems pulled on flatbed semi-trailers; the 418th is a water distribution unit that is designed to hook up with a water purification unit in the field; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee has a long and proud tradition of supplying logistical support through the Quartermasters; and

WHEREAS, the Quartermaster Corps mandate is to provide supplies and services to our courageous troops, and, more than this, to get them to the right place at the right time; this is an increasingly complicated, increasingly sophisticated task, but can be highly rewarding in terms of personal satisfaction and sense of achievement; and

WHEREAS, although proud of the Corps' distinguished heritage, the Quartermaster soldier does not dwell on past glories; instead the Quartermaster soldier looks squarely ahead to face the challenges of the 21st century; and

WHEREAS, the Quartermaster's mission cannot be rigid; this mission evolves, as it must, to meet the challenges of tomorrow's battlefields as designed by science and technology; and

WHEREAS, the exemplary members of the 300th Quartermaster Battalion (S&S) include: Lieutenant Colonel Larry V. Wise, Commander, Major Robert L. Lindsey III, Executive Officer; Major Gregory A. Wynder, Logistics Officer; Major Steven Dyess, Chaplain; Captain Jimmie D. Huffman, S-4; Captain Daniel S. Hubbard, S-1; Captain James A Parrish, S-3; Captain Beau D. Cook, S-3; Captain Fredric S. Evans, S-3; 1Lt Sean F. Huvane, Aerial Delivery Officer; 1LT Gregory A. Scheidhauer, Service & Support Officer; 1LT John F. Wells, Detachment Commander; CW4 Ballard B. Bailey, Unit Maint Tech (LT); CW1 Janet Martin, PBO; Mr. Jim Miller Jr., Unit Administrator; Sergeant Major Willie Henry Bryson, Jr., CSM; MSG Gary R. Slogar, Senior Maint Supy; SFC Ronald K. Arndt, Material Management NCO; SFC John R. Hill,

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Subsistence Supervisor; SFC Harvey D. Jackson, Jr., Commo Section Chief; SSG Jerry W. Fulkerson, Detachment Sergeant; SGT Jesus Pena, Intelligence Sergeant; SGT William R. Fields, Supply Sergeant; SGT Michael L. Hamm, Mat Con/Acctg NCO; SPC Marc L. Bass, Administrative Spec; SPC Pamela M. Brown, Signal Spt Sys Maint; SPC Sandra A. Harlan, Property Book NCO; SPC Guy D. Cooper, LT WH Veh Mechanic; SPC James A Helterman, Supply/Armorer; SPC Heath A. Mullins, Supply/Armorer; PFC Terra D. Houston, Chaplain Asst.; PFC James R. Fulkerson, Vehicle Driver; PFC Laundie E. Aikens, Legal Specialist; PFC Casandra F. McPherson, Mail Delivery Clerk; PFC Wesley A. White, Administrative Clerk; PFC William D. Wooldridge, Supply Sergeant; PFC Tammy S. Souder, Mat Con/Acctg Sp; PFC Tiana M. Randall, Mat Con/Acctg Spec; PV1 Jessica L. Cubbage, Administrative Clerk and PV1 Jason P. Dorton, Multimedia Illustrator; and

WHEREAS, the peerless officers and soldiers of the 300th Quartermaster Battalion should be specially commended for the essential role they play in ensuring the national security of the United States of America; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL

ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

CONCURRING, That the members of the 300th Quartermaster Battalion, United States Army

Reserves are hereby honored and recognized on their battalion's activation on December 6,

1997.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we hereby commend the professionalism and dedication of the 300th Quartermaster Battalion and wish them all the best during their present tour of duty.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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